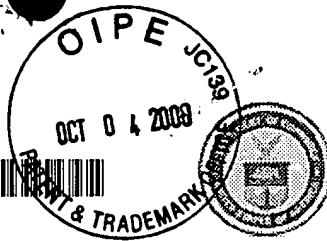


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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
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SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.63

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, which was originally filed on June 30, 2000 without a Declaration, and responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated August 21, 2000, please find attached hereto a Declaration for submission under 37 CFR §1.63, executed by each of the inventors in the above-identified application.

A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the requisite \$130.00 fee is attached. Should any additional fees become due in connection with the filing of this Declaration, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 520.38682X00).

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